



The Society of German-Israeli Friendship Ingelheim e.V. (DIF)

Annual Report 2019

Events 2019

Report about our activities.

Some things repeat annually. So, we visit the Jewish cemetery in September. There are always about 25 people interested in the lecture. Some from the neighborhood, some from more far away. This year, there came one couple looking for its relatives.

9th november is our most important date to commemorate the victims of the racist Nazi regime.



Cleaning the "Stolpersteine" Mainzer-Straße 78 (Nussbaum). I tell about the live of the inhabitants, This year we had even some music.

We have a ceremony at the place where the synagogue stood. Last year, Hans-Georg Meyer came from northern Germany and held the main speech. Before the day, we clean the 35 "Stolpersteine"



At January 27th, the day Auschwitz was liberated. This is the commemoration day in lots of European countries to commemorate the victims of National Socialism. We commemorate the day by one event. This year, we

invited a theater from Berlin, The "Flying Theater". They told the story of Anne Frank at one event for adults and one for pupils.

In March we had our members-meeting and elected a new board. Its members are now: Klaus Dürsch, chairman; Lotan Sagi, deputy; Susanne Krupka, managing director and finances; Isabelle Prassé and Sascha Lakinger, assessor; Hans-Georg Meyer, chairmen of honor.

In April, we had a surprise visit. We didn't know what happened to the children of the Chasan and teacher Ludwig Langstädter. Now we got into contact to the daughter of his nephew, Bruno Langstädter, who lived many years at his uncle in Ingelheim. He managed to escape to Israel and has there one daughter, Yael. Her daughters made her mother a gift to her 80th birthday and brought her to Germany.



Yael Scharf, born Langstädter with her daughters Orit und Liat from Israel. One street in Ingelheim is called after Ludwig Langstädter. In his house Yael's father grew up.

At the same time, our Youth - exchange with the Israeli town Afula took place. It was very moving for the youngsters from Israel and from Germany to meet an Israeli with roots in Germany. Even some refugees from Syria were present who could meet Israelis 4000 km from home.

This year we had two demonstrations by extreme right-wing groups in Ingelheim. Its the first time it happened. societies, political parties and churches and we of course, also invited to counter demonstrations in the city center. At the first, demonstration, more than 2000 people came, at the second more than 600. We are convinced that we have to counter attack these movements, they have to know that we don't want them here.



Demonstration at the Ingelheim central place.